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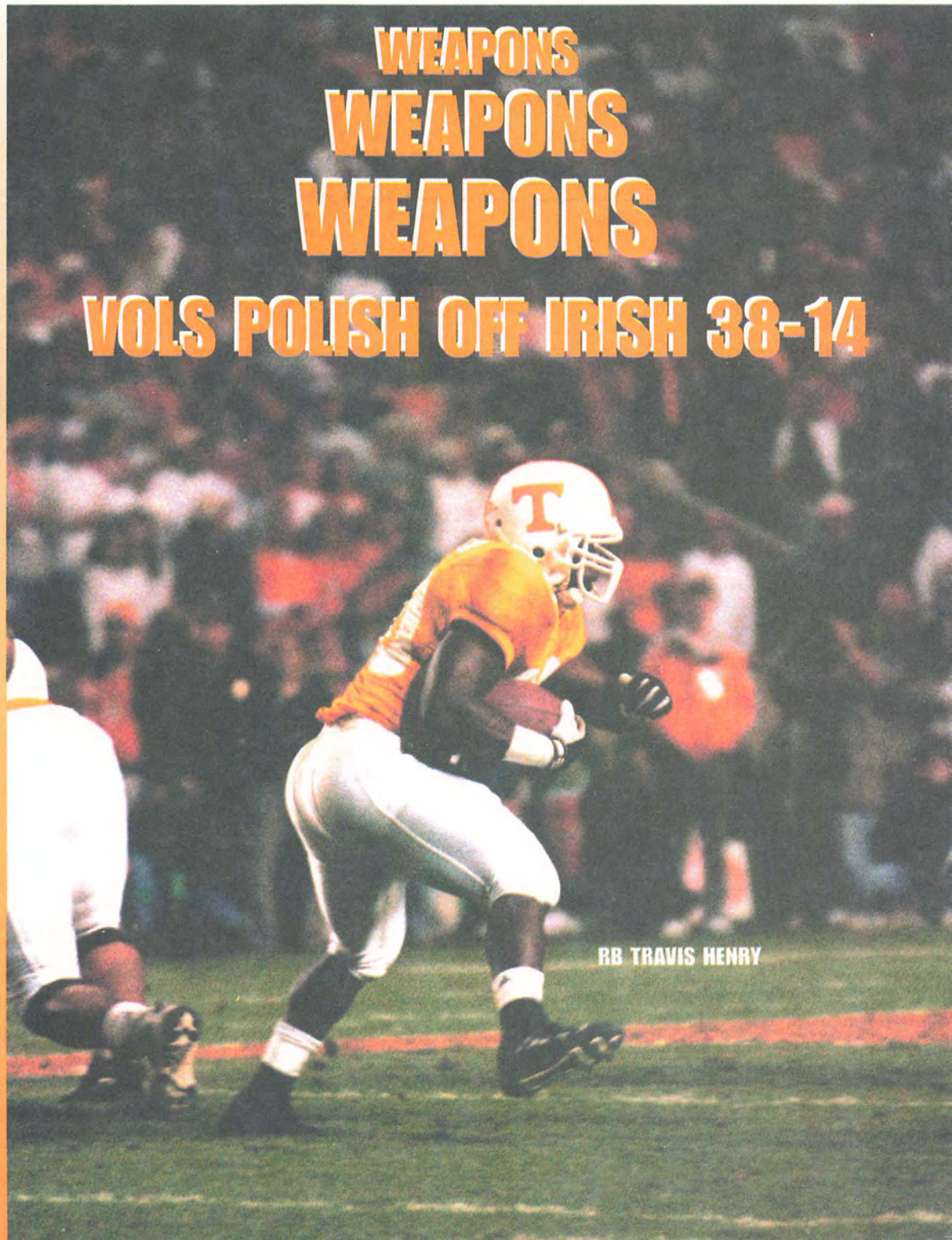

RB TRAVIS HENRY

T CLUB

LETTERMEN'S FALL WEEKEND

Coach Jerry Green and his Vol basketballers will meet the Blackbirds from Long Island University at 7:30 p.m. Fri., Nov. 26, in the Thompson-Boling Arena. Tickets are still available from the UT ticket office by dialing (865) 656-1200.

Many events related to this weekend will also take place Sat., Nov. 27. Here is a tentative schedule.

9 a.m.

Attend the ground-breaking ceremony for our Lettermen's *Wall of Fame* (outside of Neyland-Thompson Sports Complex, located on Johnny Majors Drive).

9:45 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

The brunch for "T" Club members & guests will be held in the Ray Mears Room, located on the first floor of the Thompson-Boling Arena.

10 a.m.

The Lettermen's Room will open for its usual gameday activities. It will also be open for two hours following the game.

10:30 a.m.

Don't forget about the annual "T" Club meeting, which will be held in the Ray Mears Room.

Noon

The Tennessee vs Vanderbilt game kicks off in Neyland Stadium. Remember that the returning Lettermen have the opportunity to form a "T" to welcome the players back for halftime warm-ups.

ALL LETTERMEN ARE INVITED TO MEET AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE FOOTBALL FIELD AT LEAST FIVE MINUTES BEFORE THE END OF HALFTIME TO FORM A TUNNEL FOR THE TEAM TO RUN THROUGH AS IT RETURNS TO THE FIELD.

Note that this is an opportunity provided for returning Lettermen only.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING CHILDREN OR OTHER GUESTS AS YOU COME TO THE FIELD.

—Judy Constantine

The following have made donations to *The Wall of Fame*

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Dr. Bob Rubright	Mike Rollo	
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Ashley, Barret	39-41	SW
Barber, Robert	64-66	TK
Bevins, J. B.	40	BS
Brackney, Rick	89	FB
Burnett, Jon	73	FB
Byrd, Ben		HON
Falco, Joe	63-64	FB
Graham, Conrad	70-72	FB
Grant, Alec	70	GF
Hodgson, John C.	64	BS
Hopkins, B.B.	50-52	BS
Ingram, Mark	95-96	FB
Johnson, Bill	55-57	FB
Juras, Michael	66	TK
Langschmidt, Carl H., Jr.	53	BK
Laughlin, Dan	50	FB
Lucas, H. W.	47-49	SW
Maples, Robert L.	51-52	BS
McWilliams, John F.	54	FB
Mills, Larry	64-65	GF
Morris, Laura	74-75	WSW
Myers, Jim	41-42,46	FB
O'Kain, Billy Joe	51-52	BS
Rigas, Warren	76-77	GF
Rubright, Dr. Bob		HON
Sample, Jack		ASSC
Severance, Charlie	59-6-0	FB
Snider, Jack	48-50	FBt
Stapleton, Clay	41,46-47	FB
Stottlemyer, Dave	55-57	FB
Thompson, Jeff, III	66-68	GF
Weidner, David	89	TK
Weinstein, Jackie	57-59	BS
Woodruff, Bob	36-38	FB

Stop by the Lettermen's Room for food and fun every football Saturday...

Because you never know who will be there (L-R): Bob Johnson, Al Dorsey and Dick Williams, for instance.

And don't forget the wives, as they too will enjoy the festivities.

Do you know us? Let us know!

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CHAMPS Program

It often seems automatic when a reporter stuffs a microphone in a player's face or when the coach faces a gauntlet of media types in the press room after the game. We, the viewing public, watch their faces, listen to their answers and pass our judgments without so much as a thought about how tough it is to constantly face the media. What goes on during those interviews hinges on preparation and communication skills as much as it does raw spontaneity and media savvy. Therefore, how athletes and coaches train for dealing with the media becomes paramount.

The University of Tennessee has taken note of the great need for proper media preparation and training among its student-athletes, coaches and staff. In response it has elicited the services of The Speaking Specialists, a group that specializes in media training that has offered its consulting services to more than 80 colleges and universities.

As part of the University of Tennessee's CHAMPS/LifeSkills program, "The Speaking Specialists" conducted workshops and training sessions Nov. 9-11 on campus. Director Vincent Martin is pleased to offer a program that addresses a portion of the personal development component of the CHAMPS/ LifeSkills program.

The Speaking Specialists workshops are conducted by president Sue Castorino and Randy Minkoff. Castorino, who founded the company in Chicago in 1986, spent more than 15 years as a news anchor and reporter at news stations in Chicago and Cleveland. She is a frequent lecturer and seminar leader on topics that explore persuasive communications, overcoming speaking anxiety and deal with crisis management.

Minkoff has more than three decades of journalism experience in print and broadcasting. He has served with UPI and WGN in Chicago and is a regular contributor to the *Chicago Tribune* and *Chicago Magazine.*

The training composition consists of seven separate sessions offering specialized assistance for student-athletes, coaches and staff. For instance, one session focused on speeches and presentations before corporations and alumni. Others, aimed more at the student-athletes, focused on one-on-one interview and job presentation skills.

All workshops are interactive and offered participants a chance to hone their skills in mock interviews and news conference scenarios. The seminars focused on overcoming nervous gestures and avoiding being "trapped" by a reporter or a question. Participants had the opportunity to interview each other and practice question and answers.

Seminars for coaches and administrators offered tips on large and small group speaking and effective recruiting presentations. Specifics such as dress, posture, delivery and how to handle sensitive questions were addressed during the seminars.

The need for media training is becoming more and more evident as the intersection of sports and media becomes more sophisticated and complex. Obtaining the services of The Speaking Specialists is an important step in allowing the University of Tennessee to meet those challenges head on. UT realizes that media competency is a learned process that requires diligence and proper training.

—Office of Student Life

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In Our Next Issue: Player Profile, Basketball results, Tennessee News & Notes and a look at a former Vol who really pitched in to help the Knoxville community and the United Way.

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Vols 38, Fighting Irish 14...

Total Team Effort Leads Vols Past Irish

SHIELDS-WATKINS FIELD, KNOXVILLE, TENN., NOV. 6, 1999 (Game No. 1037, 697-286-53, .698) -

Tennessee, leading 10-7 with 8:26 left in the second quarter, scored the game's next 21 points in the latter stages of the second quarter and the early stages of the third, to build a 31-7 lead en route to a 38-14 victory over the Fighting Irish, one that had to have caught the attention of the 107,619 that saw the game in person and uncounted millions more who watched on ESPN. With a loss by Penn State to Minnesota today, things are definitely getting interesting in the national arena.

The Vols, now 7-1 and destined to move up in the national polls, got a vintage performance from quarterback Tee Martin and a suffocating effort from the defensive unit en route to the most dominating victory by either team in this now five-game series. Tennessee dominated up front on both sides of the ball and continues to get better each week.

The Vols now lead the series three games to two and were definitely impressive in doing so. Tee is now 20-1 as the Vol signal-caller and proved once again that all he does is get his team in position to win and then makes it happen.

Martin, a smooth operator under center all night, threw TD passes of 21 yards to Donte' Stallworth, 2 yards to Eric Parker and 43 to Leonard Scott as part of his 18-of-32, 196-yard performance that got the job done for the Vols.

Both Scott and Stallworth showed they are ready to step up and be counted in the Vol receiving corps.

Martin added a TD of his own in the fourth quarter that culminated a 91-yard drive that knocked 9:48 off the clock and saw Tee run in from 14 yards out on fourth down, for that matter, for the final knockout.

Travis Henry, who carried 16 times for 132 yards on the evening, hit center for 40 yards and still another score.

"The offensive line and the backs blocked well," Henry said. "I kind of kicked it in tonight. It felt good to be out there again."

Fred White and Dominique Stevenson led the defensive effort with eight tackles each, followed closely by Raynoch Thompson with seven and Darwin Walker and John Henderson with five each. The Vol defenders held Notre Dame to 121 yards rushing and 291 yards overall in what was likely one of the best efforts of the season.

Thompson's interception off of a Stevenson tip led to the Vols' first field goal, made good by Alex Walls from 24 yards out. Walls also added five extra points. The ever-improving and ever-dangerous Eric Parker averaged 17 yards on three punt returns and looked close to going all the way a couple of times.

Defensive end Will Overstreet, also a key man up front, said it was a total effort by the defensive unit.

"Their team had come back a lot," Will said. "We knew if we got the ball back to the offense that they could score.

"When they got the last touchdown, we said that was it. We were mad when they scored. They just drove down and got one on us. We then stepped up and made it hard for them. We had to hit them."

Walker and Henderson shared a sack and Overstreet, Andre James and

Tennessee's defense applied pressure on Notre Dame's Jarious Jackson continuously Saturday night, sacking Irish QBs four times and intercepting two passes. Shaun Ellis (left) and Eric Westmoreland (right) move in for the hit on Jackson, while Raynoch Thompson (center) heads goalward with an early first quarter interception off a tipped pass.

Constantine Ritzmann each had one.

Tennessee scored on its two second quarter possessions, a 12-play 80-yard drive which bridged the first and second stanzas that culminated when Tee found the ever-improving Stallworth from 21 yards out in the right corner. Cedrick Wilson had a 14-yard catch on third-and-10 and Henry had a 12-yard gain that was also a key.

"Our attitude changed this week," Tee said. "We knew guys would have to step up. Our offensive line opened up bigger holes tonight. It was a complete game offensively. We didn't have any turnovers, fumbles or interceptions."

After a Notre Dame score narrowed the margin to 10-7 that came on the first rushing TD Vol defenders had yielded since the third quarter of the 1998 Kentucky game, the Vols beat the clock by nine seconds to add another score just before intermission.

Stallworth caught a pass for 14 and Burney Veazey caught a 14-yarder on third-and-10 from the ND 42. Lewis came out of the backfield to catch a pass for 18 more.

A pass interference penalty kept the drive alive and Tee rifled a 2-yard scoring toss to Parker in the right corner and the halftime margin was 17-7. By any measure, it was a big play.

The Vols added another score on their second possession of the third quarter from 43 yards out as Tee found Scott in the back right corner of the north end zone and the freshman from Zachary, La., made a nifty catch for the score.

Two series later, the Vols had it on the ND 40 after a 22-yard return by Parker put the Vols in position. Henry hit center and found the express lane up the middle. He broke a tackle and no one could catch him. It was 31-7 and school appeared to be out.

Not so fast, my friend, as one of the ESPN Game Day commentators might have said. Notre Dame closed to 31-14 and had the ball in the shadow of the Vol goal line before Vol defenders made the requisite big plays to stem the flow. Eric Westmoreland was a key part of this big stop for the Vols.

With 12:02 to go the Vols had the ball on the 9 coming out. Lewis carried for 6, 1, 4 and 1 and Tee hit Parker for 10 to move the chains. Henry carried for 19, 9 and 1, 2 and 7, around a 2-yard gain by Tee.

Bobby Graham caught an 11-yarder on fourth-and-4 that also moved the

WHAT OTHERS SAID...

"On a strange college football Saturday when few teams in the top 10 played like they belonged there, No. 4 Tennessee once again raised the question after a convincing 38-14 win over No. 24 Notre Dame: 'If you're looking for a great team, why not us?' In a season during which no team has been dominant and the ones ranked near the top simply survive from week to week, the Volunteers continue to make a case that they might, in fact, be the best in the country."

--Tony Barnhart, Atlanta Journal-Constitution

"Notre Dame ventured to the Smokies Saturday night and encountered mountains of problems. Mostly, the Irish discovered their defense suited Tennessee to a Tee. Tamaurice Nigel (Tee) Martin passed for three touchdowns and ran for another to lead the fourth-ranked Volunteers to a 38-14 victory before 107,619 fans, the second-highest attendance in Neyland Stadium history. Tennessee hiked its record to 7-1 as the Vols kept their hopes alive for the possibility of retaining their national championship."

--Jack Saylor, Detroit Free Press

"Effort was there. Attitude was right. Talent, though, made the difference. Notre Dame ventured to Rocky Top loaded with tricks but not enough quality football players to keep Tennessee from running up a 38-14 victory over the Irish Saturday night. The Irish were armed and dangerous. A fake field goal that worked. A fake punt. A reverse run for a touchdown on the 11-yard line. An onside kick late in the third quarter that kicker Jim Sanson recovered. More diverse offensive sets than seemed possible."

--Al Lesar, South Bend Tribune

"Like a missile, the ball was unleashed from Tee Martin's strong right arm, a rocket which appeared to take flight somewhere near the visitors' locker room. Actually, the Tennessee quarterback was backpedaling somewhere close to midfield when he fired the third-quarter dart 50-something yards in the air, hitting target Leonard Scott in the farthest right corner of the end zone for a 43-yard touchdown. Score: Tennessee 24, Notre Dame 7. Game, set and match. Though the final tally of Saturday night's game at Neyland Stadium read 38-14 in the Vols' favor, it was Martin's bomb which destroyed any chance of a Notre Dame comeback."

--Vaughn McClure, South Bend Tribune

"Since a September loss at Florida, last year's champions have been relegated to the fringes of this year's race, keeping their names in the hat with a simple request. 'Why not us?' After an eventful college football Saturday, that question may have some merit. Given up for dead, Tennessee's Volunteers are back in the Sugar Bowl hunt after Saturday night's 38-14 win over No. 24 Notre Dame before a crowd of 107,619 at Neyland Stadium. The victory gives the No. 4 Vols (7-1) a chance to do the nearly unthinkable: Advance to the national title game without so much as winning their own conference."

--Bill Sullivan, Houston Chronicle

"Less than two months ago, Tennessee looked like it might have lost its shot to repeat as national champions. The Vols had just lost to Florida, 23-21, at the Swamp, Sept. 18 and had slid off the radar screen, toward the bottom of the Top 10. But the unpredictability of this college football season may give Tennessee a rare second chance. The fourth-ranked Vols, who defeated No. 24 Notre Dame, 38-14, last night before a sellout crowd of 107,619 at Neyland Stadium, are 7-1 and should benefit from Minnesota's 24-23 upset over second-ranked Penn State earlier in the day at Happy Valley."

--Dick Weiss, New York Daily News.

"They had earned the bright lights and the sensation of a big game. But the Fighting Irish did not require the glare to reveal their shortcomings in the most one-sided loss of Bob Davie's three seasons as Notre Dame head coach. The Irish were worn down in a 38-14 loss to the Tennessee Volunteers, Notre Dame's fifth consecutive defeat away from home and the sixth in their last 11 games overall. Notre Dame was undone by the same familiar problem areas--damaging penalties and an unproductive kicking game."

--Malcolm Moran, Chicago Tribune

Tee Martin used his mobility on various plays, including this 38-yard scamper through the heart of the Irish defense for a first down. Martin gained 46 yards rushing (running 14 yards for the Vols' final score) and passed for 196 yards and three scores in an impressive performance in Saturday night's game.

chains and after Graham caught another pass for 6, Lewis ran for 5 and 4 more.

Here came a Waterloo of sorts. Martin sent the flow to the left and found clear sailing at right end for 14 yards and the game's final score.The drive was 91 yards in 18 plays, and even better, 9:48 off of the clock. It was impressive. That was that.

GAME NOTES: Stallworth, Parker and Scott each had their career first receiving TD tonight... Henry's yardage was a season-high... Lewis moved the third on the Vol career rushing with 43 yards on 17 carries. He now has 2613 yards for his career. He is 239 yards behind No. 2 Johnnie Jones who had 2852 in his career from 1981-84. He passed Jay Graham (1993-96), who had 2609... Tee Martin moved to No. 5 on UT's career passing yardage list with 3965. He is 123 yards behind No. 4 Heath Shuler (1991-93) who had 4088 yards... Ritzmann had his second sack of the season... It was the first time in the five-game series the winning team led wire-to-wire... The game broke a two-game streak in which the visiting team had won... The Vols have outscored Notre Dame 156-131 in the five games... It was the series' first night game... Tennessee has now won 21 consecutive home games and hasn't lost to a non-SEC team since Notre Dame won here in 1990... Tennessee is now 54-2 in November since 1985 and has won 13 straight 11th-month games since its last loss in Memphis in 1996... Tennessee scored 38 points in 29:05 possession time... Mikki Allen had a late fourth quarter interception... Overstreet forced a fumble, blindsiding Jackson just before halftime... The attendance of 107,619 is the second-largest at Neyland Stadium, behind the 107,653 mark set against Florida in 1998. That puts the total attendance for the season at 642,089, which betters the six-game attendance mark of 641,484 in 1998. The Vols are now averaging 107,015 through six games this season, which betters the record average of 106,914 set in 1998. With one home game remaining, the Vols will establish an all-time total attendance mark. The seven-game total attendance mark is 667,280 set in 1993.

—Volunteers Magazine Staff

Division	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
EAST				
Florida	6	1	8	1
Tennessee	4	1	7	1
Georgia	4	2	6	2
Kentucky	3	3	5	4
Vanderbilt	2	4	5	4
S. Carolina	0	7	0	9
WEST				
Miss. State	5	0	8	0
Alabama	5	1	7	2
Ole Miss	4	2	7	2
Arkansas	2	3	5	3
Auburn	1	5	4	5
LSU	0	7	2	7

(As of Nov. 7)

SEC Scores

Kentucky Wildcats 22
Mississippi State Bulldogs 23

LSU Tigers 17
Alabama Crimson Tide 23

Central Florida Golden Knights 10
Auburn Tigers 28

Vanderbilt Commodores 6
Florida Gators 13

Arkansas Razorbacks 16
Ole Miss Rebels 38

Open
Georgia Bulldogs
South Carolina Gamecocks

RANKINGS (AP & USA Today/ESPN)
UT 4 & 4, ND 24 & Not Ranked

GAME NOTES

The Vols are 39-6-1 in non-conference action since 1989 and have won 21 straight non-conference home games.

Tee Martin threw three TD passes in a game for the first time since he notched four in a victory at South Carolina in 1998.

Tennessee enjoyed a nearly 5-minute bulge in time of possession in the fourth quarter.

Dominique Stevenson tipped the pass that Raynoch Thompson intercepted and returned 44 yards. The play set up a first period field goal.

Statistics - Tennessee vs. Notre Dame

Team Statistics	T	ND
First Downs	23	17
Rushing	10	8
Passing	11	6
Penalty	2	3
Rushing Attempts	41	43
Yards Gained	232	153
Yards Lost	15	32
Net Yards Rushing	217	121
Net Yards Passing	196	170
Passes Attempted	32	24
Passes Completed	18	15
Had Intercepted	0	2
Total Offensive Plays	73	67
Total Net Yards	413	291
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-0
Int. Return-Yards	2-53	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-62	5-42
Third Down Conversions	10 of 17	5 of 15
Fourth Down Conversions	2 of 2	2 of 4
Punts-Average	3-50.7	4-43.5
Punt Returns-Yards	3-51	1-5
Kickoff Returns-Yards	2-55	6-163
Sacks By-Yards	4-23	1-4
Time of Possession	29:05	30:55

SCORE BY QUARTER

NOTRE DAME	0	7	7	0 — 14
TENNESSEE	3	14	14	7 — 38

SCORING SUMMARY

1T- Walls, FG 24.
Drive: 4 plays, 6 yards, 1:55 possession, 11:44 on clock.
2T- D. Stallworth, pass from T. Martin 21. Walls kick.
Drive: 12 plays, 80 yards, 3:41 possession, 11:52 on clock.
2N- Givens, run 4. Miller kick.
Drive: 14 plays, 65 yards, 8:26 possession, 3:26 on clock.
2T- Parker, pass from T. Martin 2. Walls kick.
Drive: 12 plays, 81 yards, 3:17 possession, :09 on clock.
3T- Scott, pass from T. Martin 43. Walls kick.
Drive: 6 plays, 50 yards, 2:46 possession, 7:51 on clock.
3T- Henry, run 40. Walls kick.
Drive: 1 play, 40 yards, :09 possession, 3:03 on clock.
3N- Getherall, run 11. Miller kick.
Drive: 7 plays, 45 yards, 2:49 possession, :14 on clock.
4T- T. Martin, run 14. Walls kick.
Drive: 18 plays, 91 yards, 9:48 possession, 2:14 on clock.

TENNESSEE INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING	Att	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Lg
Henry	16	133	1	132	1	40
T. Martin	6	55	9	46	1	38
Lewis	17	44	1	43	0	8
Bartholomew	1	0	2	-2	0	0
Team	1	0	2	-2	0	0
Totals	***41***	***232***	***15***	***217***	***2***	***40***

PASSING	Att	Comp	Int	Yds	TD	Lg
T. Martin	32	18	0	196	3	43
Totals	***32***	***18***	***0***	***196***	***3***	***43***

RECEIVING	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Parker	5	22	1	10
D. Stallworth	3	43	1	21
C. Wilson	3	35	0	16
Lewis	2	22	0	17
Graham	2	13	0	7
L. Scott	1	43	1	43
Veazey	1	14	0	14
Henry	1	4	0	4
Totals	***18***	***196***	***3***	***43***

PUNTING	No	Yds	Avg	LP
Leaverton	3	152	50.7	56
Totals	***3***	***152***	***50.7***	***56***

PUNT RET.	Ret	Yds	Avg	TD	Lg
Parker	3	51	17.0	0	21
Totals	***3***	***51***	***17.0***	***0***	***21***

KO RET.	Ret	Yds	Avg	TD	Lg
L. Scott	2	55	27.5	0	36
Totals	***2***	***55***	***27.5***	***0***	***36***

INT. RET.	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Allen	1	9	0	9
Thompson	1	44	0	44
Totals	***2***	***53***	***0***	***44***

FGs	0-29	30-39	40-49	50-60	60+LK
Walls	1-2				24
Totals	***1-2***				***24***

NOTRE DAME INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING	Att	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Lg
Jones	12	52	6	46	0	29
Jackson	13	46	8	38	0	9
Fisher	8	21	1	20	0	7
Getherall	2	15	0	15	1	11
Lopienski	2	3	0	3	0	3
Givens	1	3	0	3	1	3
Goodspeed	1	1	0	1	0	1
Hildbold	1	0	1	-1	0	0
Battle	3	12	16	-4	0	12
Totals	***43***	***153***	***32***	***121***	***2***	***29***

PASSING	Att	Comp	Int	Yds	TD	Lg
Jackson	18	11	1	127	0	32
Battle	6	4	1	43	0	15
Totals	***24***	***15***	***2***	***170***	***0***	***32***

RECEIVING	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Getherall	6	61	0	20
Hunter	3	27	0	10
Johnson	2	25	0	15
Goodspeed	2	21	0	12
Jones	1	32	0	32
Fisher	1	4	0	4
Totals	***15***	***170***	***0***	***32***

PUNTING	No	Yds	Avg	LP
Hildbold	4	174	43.5	50
Totals	***4***	***174***	***43.5***	***50***

PUNT RET.	Ret	Yds	Avg	TD	Lg
Jones	1	5	5.0	0	5
Totals	***1***	***5***	***5.0***	***0***	***5***

KO RET.	Ret	Yds	Avg	TD	Lg
Jones	4	93	23.3	0	36
Howard	2	70	35.0	0	36
Totals	***6***	***163***	***27.2***	***0***	***36***

INT. RET.	No	Yds	TD	Lg
Totals	***None***			

FGs	0-29	30-39	40-49	50-60	60+LK
Miller	0-1				
Totals	***0-1***				

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NOTRE DAME GAME 1999

Facing a Notre Dame team that has an admirable never-say-die attitude, our offensive line came through in championship style and allowed us to sew up a suspenseful victory over the Fighting Irish.

Considering the close calls favored teams had experienced all day, we didn't want our game to come down to the last few minutes Saturday night at Neyland Stadium.

Our offensive line took care of that little problem. After Eric Westmoreland stopped the Irish on fourth down at our 9, we took over and inaugurated one of the most efficient scoring drives I've seen this season.

With Mike Barry's line pushing back the Irish defenders, we went 91 yards for the clinching touchdown in a 38-14 victory. Even better than the seven additional points was our success in running out the clock. The scoreboard read 12:02 when we took possession. It was almost 10 minutes later when the indomitable Tee Martin reeled off the final 14 yards for the touchdown.

I'm proud of everybody in the offensive line for the way they have brought their game together. On the that final drive, the statistics credit Jamal Lewis and Travis Henry, but those two sturdy tailbacks would be the first to doff their hats to the linemen who open up the holes that give them running room.

Spencer Riley, Cosey Coleman, Fred Weary, Chad Clifton and Josh Tucker have become a formidable unit with valuable help from some of our reserves. It's been an incredible job done by those guys, and you know the kind of pride I take in their achievements.

All in all, it was a great night for Tennessee football, as our fans again showed what a difference they can make in a tough game. The crowd of 107,619, second largest ever at Neyland Stadium, contributed greatly to the home field advantage we enjoyed.

We are real happy to get the win. I thought we played well. Both offensively and defensively, we were very sharp and effective. Few things gladden the heart of a coach more than to know his team had no turnovers. In almost any game, that's a vital statistic. Notre Dame scored twice, but we didn't hand them a thing.

Travis Henry and Jamal Lewis comprise a nifty tailback combo for us. It was Travis' night to shine against Notre Dame. He battered his way for 132 yards and served notice to our future opponents that he and Jamal are a tough combo.

When Travis gets up a full head of steam, you better stay out of his way. Tee Martin again played a vital role, throwing three touchdown passes and running for a fourth. There were two dangerous quarterbacks on the field for the Notre Dame game, Martin and the Iris's very talented Jarious Jackson. Each does a variety of things that keep the defenses guessing, and each deserves to be ranked among the best in the nation.

One problem that drives you crazy about Notre Dame is its record for bouncing back from the brink of defeat. We made sure our players were aware of their comeback ability. Tee Martin knows all about the Irish, and he knew how important it was for us to put together that final clock-killing drive.

He was prepared going into the game to be ready to withstand a possible Notre Dame rally.

One reason we won is that our entire team was prepared to play a full 60-minute game. We didn't want the same thing that happened to Southern California to befall us. The Trojans held a solid 24-3 lead over Notre Dame, only to lose the game because the Irish staged a furious rally.

Notre Dame is a special team because of its great tradition and history. Coach Bob Davie has done an outstanding job in bringing his squad back from a 1-3 record to notch four straight wins up until our game.

Our focus for the next few days will be directed solely to getting ready for Arkansas. We will put the Notre Dame game behind us and concentrate exclusively on the Razorbacks. We know Houston Nutt will have his team ready to play Saturday in Fayetteville. It is another gigantic challenge that faces us. People keep wanting to talk about the BCS and how we fit into the picture.

My only concern is to have us ready to take on Arkansas. If we play to the best of our abilities, we will be one of the teams considered for additional opportunities.

—Phillip Fulmer

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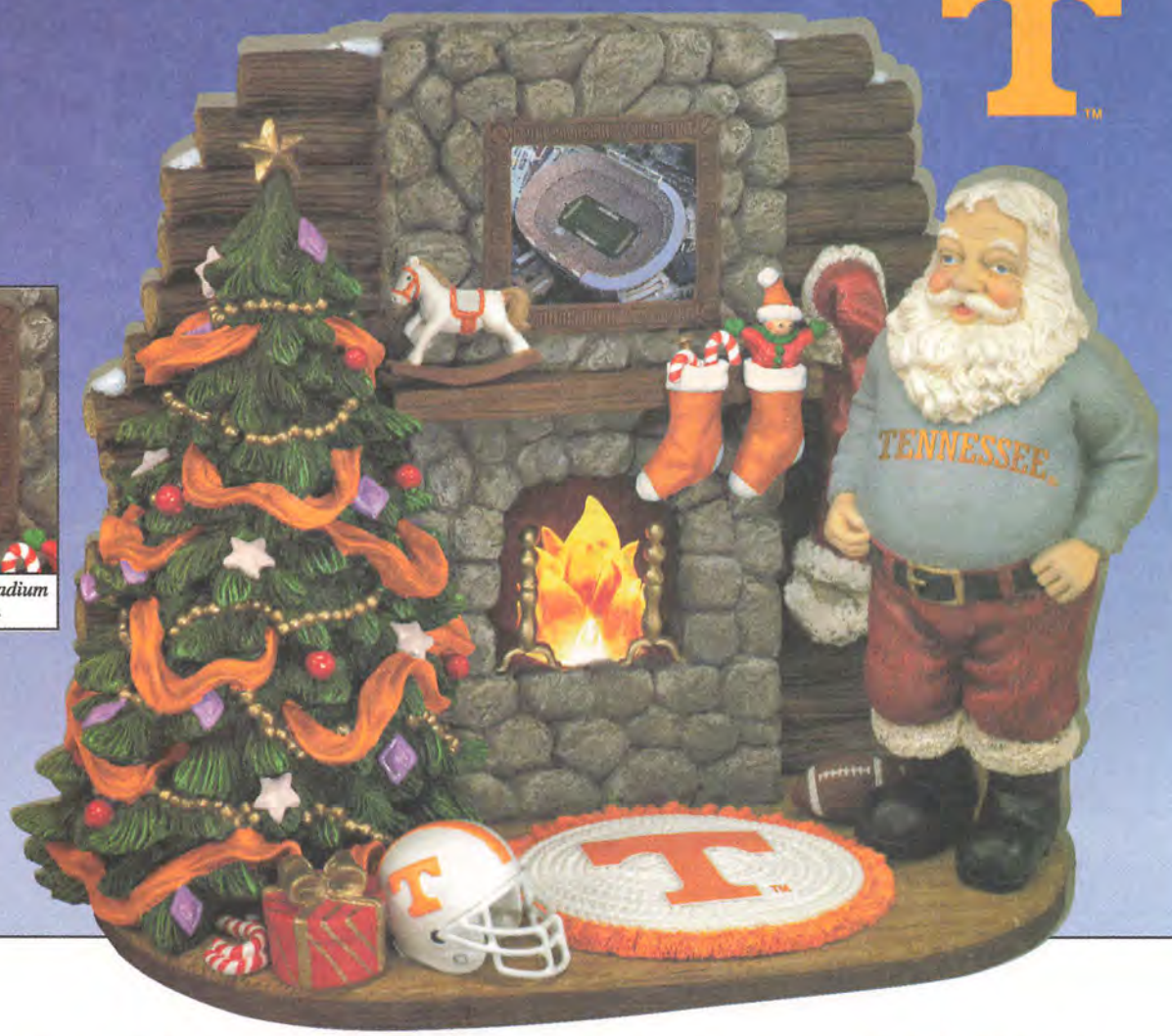

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Ben Byrd on the Vols...

A Tale of Two Storied Programs

The most celebrated college football tradition in the land began in a most unlikely place, an Ohio beach resort called Cedar Point, in the summer of 1913.

Notre Dame quarterback Gus Dorais and his teammate, end Knute Rockne, spent the offseason there, perfecting an offensive weapon that had been hitherto ignored by the nation's great teams, the forward pass. The pass had been legalized seven years earlier, but most coaches held it in disdain. Until then, 4 yards and a cloud of dust was still the way to go in this growing, exciting new national game. But at Cedar Point, Dorais, a wonderfully gifted do-it-all back, developed a new way of throwing the ball, the tight spiral. And Rockne, the captain of the team, developed new ways of catching the ball, including the stop-and-go routes that were later to befuddle opposition defenses.

Their motivation was simple. Notre Dame, known only as "that little Catholic school in the Midwest," had signed on to play Army, the pride of the East, Nov. 1 that fall in New York City, and the Irish had to find a way to equalize the Cadets' awesome manpower advantage. When the great day came, those long days on the beach paid off. Leading by only 14-13 at the half, Notre Dame unleashed its secret weapon in the second half with one Dorais-to-Rockne pass after another, and the Irish came away with a 35-13 victory that stunned the gridiron world.

If that had been all there were to it, Knute Rockne would have been only a footnote in the history of American football. But five years later, in 1918, he succeeded his old coach, Jesse Harper, as the Notre Dame head coach, and the tradition that had been born at Cedar Point swung into full speed.

For 13 glorious seasons, Rockne and Notre Dame were perched at the pinnacle of the football world. With their often-flamboyant coach driving them and cajoling them, going now to the whip and now to the sugar lump, the great players of the Irish dynasty ran and blocked and tackled their way into legend. Rockne developed his own signature formation, the Notre Dame box, that sent All-Americas like George Gipp bolting through enemy defenses.

To Rockne, emotional fire was the key to a team's success, and he never missed a chance to pour on the emotional fuel. His fiery locker room talks were legend. "Win one for the Gipper" may or may not have taken place as history has written it down, but it was repeated so often that the myth, if it were that, in time became truth.

Still another game with Army solidified Notre Dame's grasp on the football public, this time with the help of the nation's top sportswriter, Grantland Rice. Following the Fighting Irish's 13-7 triumph over the Cadets in 1924 at the Polo Grounds, Rice wrote those famous words, "outlined against a gray October sky the Four Horsemen rode again today," thereby christening the Notre Dame backfield of Jim Crowley, Elmer Layden, Don Miller and Harry Stuhldreher with the famous nickname that has lasted through the ages.

Rockne died in a plane crash in Kansas in the summer of 1931. His record of 105 wins, 12 losses and five ties still stands as the highest winning percentage, .881, of any coach in college football history.

During Rockne's later years at Notre Dame, another great college football tradition was quietly being built, 500 miles south of South Bend. Tennessee had hired West Point graduate Robert R. Neyland to rescue its grid program in 1926. A shocking 15-13 upset win over Alabama in 1928 had drawn national attention to the new star rising in the South. In his first seven seasons at Tennessee, 1926-1932, Neyland's teams lost a grand total of two games!

Neyland went on to two further eras of domination in his 21-season career that was twice interrupted by returns to active army duty. His 1938-1940 teams were unbeaten and untied in the regular seasons, and his 1951 team won the consensus national championship in his penultimate year at the Vol helm. He produced such legendary stars as Gene McEver, Bobby Dodd, Beattie Feathers, George Cafego, Bob Suffridge and Hank Lauricella, and, when he stepped down after the 1952 season, he left a coaching record of 173-31-12 for a winning percentage of .829 that was second only to Rockne on the all-time list.

But Neyland was a different breed of cat in many ways. He never tried to inflame his players with rousing pre-game pep talks. Always the army engineer, he stressed preparation and execution. As for the emotion, he felt that it would come naturally in the heat of the battle. Although his single-wing offense came to be as much a trademark for him as the Notre Dame box was for Rockne, he really had relatively little interest in offense of any stripe.

"You win football games with defense and the kicking game," he maintained throughout his coaching career.

Although there will never be another Rockne nor another Neyland, the winning traditions these coaching immortals set in motion still go on at their schools. Notre Dame, through thick and thin, remains the most visible star in the football heavens, the only school in the nation that had every game carried on network television. Tennessee, the incumbent national champion, still holds its banners high. And when the Fighting Irish met the Volunteers at Neyland Stadium this past weekend, they were playing in the present, but the past was never too far away.

For Notre Dame and Tennessee, it never is.

Former Vol

Jimmy Streater (1976-79)

It was 20 years ago this month that a quarterback named Jimmy Streater led Tennessee to one of its biggest victories ever, a 40-18 triumph over Notre Dame at Neyland Stadium. Streater, known as the "Sylva Streak," in honor of his hometown of Sylva, N.C., led the Vols to a 30-12 halftime lead before leaving with a knee injury.

Over the course of his career, Streater is fourth on the Vol total offense list with 1374 yards rushing and 3433 yards passing for a total of 4807 yards. He led the 1977, 1978 and 1979 teams in total offense.

He threw 17 TD passes in his career and completed 241 passes in 467 attempts, a percentage of 51.6. He had 103 yards rushing in the 1979 Georgia Tech game and 106 in the 1979 Auburn game. He was an All-SEC selection in 1979. He had an 80-yard run for the Vols' first score in the 1977 California game.

Streater played for the Toronto Argonuats in the Canadian Football League in 1980-81. He was a sight to behold when he had the ball under his arm and was headed goalward. He had the unique ability to see the field as he got to the corner and could make tacklers miss him. No one knows how, but he did. He was something special.

He now lives at the Canton Health Care Center in Canton, N.C., and would appreciate hearing from Vol fans.

Jimmy Streater excited Vol fans whenever he was under center during his time on the Hill.

Martin in Top Five for Unitas Award

Tennessee quarterback Tee Martin is one of five finalists for this year's Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award as the nation's top senior quarterback.

Martin, who has led Tennessee to a 19-1 mark as a starter over the past two seasons, quarterbacked the Vols to the 1998 SEC and National Championships a year ago and has led UT to a 6-1 mark and No. 4 ranking so far this season.

Martin joins Louisville's Chris Redman, Georgia Tech's Joey Hamilton, Marshall's Chad Pennington and Tim Rattay of Louisiana Tech as the five finalists for this year's award.

Candidates for the award are judged upon citizenship, scholarship achievement, leadership qualities and athletic achievement. The winner will be announced Nov. 24 and NFL Hall of Fame quarterback Johnny Unitas will make the official award presentation Dec. 10 in Louisville.

Chavis Nominated for AFCA Award

Tennessee defensive coordinator John Chavis has been nominated for this year's American Football Coaches Association Assistant Coach of the Year Award. Winners will be selected in NCAA Divisions I-A, I-AA, II, III and the NAIA.

Entering the Notre Dame game, Chavis' Vol defensive troops are the only team in the nation in Divisions I-A and I-AA that has not allowed a rushing touchdown this season. The Vols rank 11th nationally in total defense and third in rushing defense, allowing just 69.3 yards per game.

The winners will be announced and honored during the AFCA Kickoff Luncheon at the 2000 AFCA Convention in Anaheim, Calif. Each honoree will receive a plaque to commemorate the award, and their respective athletic department will receive a $5000 academic scholarship in the coach's name. The criteria for the award include more than just on the field coaching ability.

Four additional criteria, along with on the field success as a football coach, include service to the community through charitable work and other volunteer activities, participation in AFCA activities and events, participation in other professional organizations and impact on student-athletes.

You can read more about the award and other AFCA functions by going to their official website at **www.afca.com.**

Harriers 2nd at SEC Cross Country Championships

Tennessee's 23rd-ranked cross country squad earned a second-place finish at the 8K SEC Championships at Vaughan's Creek Course at Percy Warner Park in Nashville.

Arkansas won the meet for the ninth year in a row. Arkansas posted 17 points while Tennessee tallied 59 points, bettering last year's Vol total of 63 points. Arkansas' Michael Power won the event with a time of 24:10.6. The SEC Championships marked the first time this season that Tennessee had a five-man spread of less than a minute. The tight spread led to Tennessee placing five runners (Anthony Famiglietti, Jon Jamison, Jason Steed, Ryan Clark and Brad Leach) in the top 15 to make the All-SEC team.

"Famiglietti gave a good effort in trying to run with the front of the pack, but it just didn't happen today. Tennessee had the two highest-placing freshmen in the race in Ryan Clark and Colin Rochford. That makes me excited about our future. We had tremendous support from Tennessee fans, fellow track team members and parents," Vol coach George Watts said.

Six of the eight Vols competing ran season-best times. Famiglietti crossed the line seventh to become the first Vol finisher with a time of 24:51.1. Jamison finished 11th with a season-best time of 25:23.3. Steed clocked in at 12th with a season-best 25:27.5. Clark posted a 14th-place, season-best 25:44.0. Leach crossed in 25:48.1 to finish 15th and make the cut for All-SEC. Eric Bell finished 20th with a 25:59.4 to post his season-best time. Joe Dickson took 25th with a season-best effort of 26:17.1. Rochford placed 26th after running the course in a season-best 26:20.3.

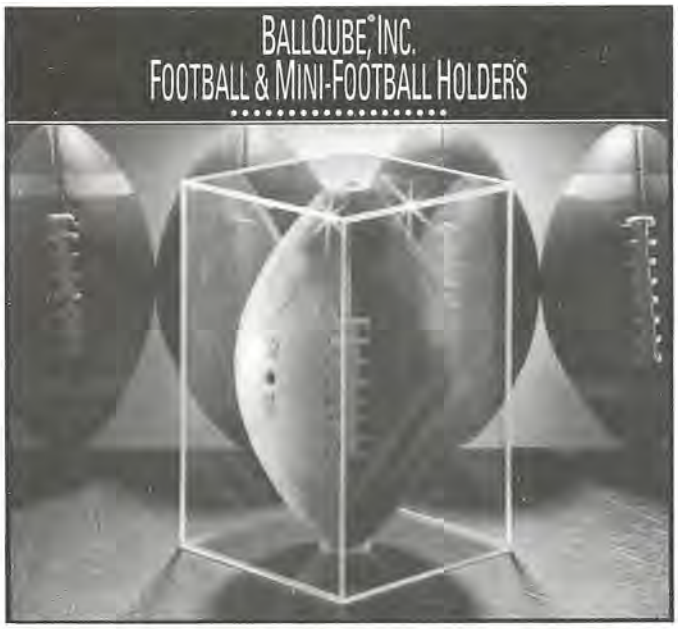
Tennessee's next competition will be the NCAA South Regional in Auburn, Ala., Nov. 13.

Soccer Members Named to All-SEC Academic Team

Seniors Heather Handel (3.45/Logistics and Transportation), Stacey Longino (3.25/Logistics and Transportation), Melissa Majcher (3.56/Accounting), Heather Redecker (3.79/Nursing) and Sarah Shivley (3.16/General Business) along with juniors Kelly Berrall (3.73/World Business & Spanish), Laura Lauter (3.46/Speech Communications), Rachael Newkirk (3.88/Nursing), Lisa Tipton (3.48/Advertising) and sophomores Allison Campbell (3.16/Exercise Science), Ellen Dean (3.06/Arts & Sciences), Sharon Holmes (3.94/Anthropology) and Kim Sgarlata (3.25/Arts & Sciences) of the University of Tennessee soccer team were named to the 1999 SEC Women's Soccer Academic Honor Roll by Southeastern Conference Commissioner Roy Kramer. A total of 107 student-athletes earned that recognition.

Auburn University led all institutions with 14 student-athletes on the academic roster, while head coach Charlie MacCabe's Lady Vol squad had 13 people chosen to the squad. The University of South Carolina placed 12 individuals on the list.

To be eligible for the award, a student-athlete must have a 3.0 grade point average for the past year or for her career, must be at least a sophomore, must have earned 24 semester hours toward a degree, and must earn a letter for the season honored.



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This Week In Big Orange Country

Battle for Blood

Preservation of an adequate blood supply for patients in the East Tennessee community remains the primary purpose of the annual BlueOrange Battle for Blood. This year's contest is set for Nov. 15-19 in Knoxville and surrounding areas with several on-campus donations sites planned. This year, News Talk 99 radio station joins Baskin-Robbins as a BlueOrange sponsor.

But another important goal of the now-traditional event is "just plain fun" for the fans of the Tennessee Volunteers and the supporters of the Kentucky Wildcats as both sides vie to determine who can score the most blood donations for their respective areas. The Tennessee side of the contest is sponsored by Medic Regional Blood Center, Knoxville, the only blood collector and supplier for 24 regional hospitals including all six Knoxville hospitals. The Kentucky edition is sponsored by Central Kentucky Blood Center of Lexington. The contest always is held the last full week before the annual Tennessee/Kentucky gridiron clash.

"BlueOrange is especially important this year in view of the continuing and worsening nationwide blood shortage; we want to insure that our area has enough blood for transfusion and treatment needs during the long Christmas Holiday period," said Jerry Rysticken, Medic Executive Director. "There is always a downturn in donations during that season, and during BlueOrange week we strive to collect enough donations to see us through."

Make plans to be a part of a great running tradition.

Medic's average weekly blood collection is about 1250 pints. During BlueOrange week, that figure more than doubles, he explained. Last year Tennessee fans contributed 3122 pints of Orange Blood, a record amount for Tennessee fans. However, Kentucky fans contributed 3478 pints of Blue Blood, winning the contest. In the 11-year history of the BlueOrange Battle, Kentucky has won six times, Tennessee has won four times and the two sides have tied once.

Each donor will receive a Medic T-shirt, a coupon for a pint of Baskin-Robbins ice cream or frozen yogurt and a cholesterol level evaluation. In addition, one donation per year to Medic exempts the donor and their IRS dependents from paying blood supplier processing fees at any US hospital if a transfusion is needed. New members are covered except for pre-existing conditions.

The BlueOrange 1999 donation schedule is featured on page 21.

—Jeannine McKamey
Medic Regional Blood Center Contact
(865) 524-3074

Lady Vols Win First Exhibition

Here is an excerpt of Head Coach Pat Summitt's thoughts after Tennessee's 82-69 win over FTC-Diego Budapest Nov. 2 at Thompson-Boling Arena.

"It was good to get into a game situation and not be playing against ourselves or the practice guys. I thought our starting unit did a good job at the beginning of the game, and it carried over into the second half. I was disappointed with our bench play in the first half, but part of that was coaching. We didn't have good combinations. Our squad did a nice job of extending the lead.

"I thought Gwen Jackson was our player on both ends of the floor in both of our scrimmages. I think you reward a player (by starting) for that. It creates a competitive situation. That's something we missed last season. We're not going to have a fixed lineup, at least not early in the season.

"Michelle Snow was very active tonight, particularly on defense away from the basket. We've been working on her spacing and getting her on the low block. Last year, she got pushed out a lot there. She's a smarter player and has worked harder in the last three weeks of practice.

"In watching films today, we saw that Ace (Clement) was coming down the floor, and people were not getting open. We don't want her to have to do it all. We want to take the pressure off her to make decisions for four other people. She did a nice job tonight of opening up.

"It was a typical international style of game. They spread us out, and we didn't match up with them in the transition. I'd like to keep (their) No. 15 in Knoxville for a while. She doesn't miss. They had a great gameplan.

"I think Michelle (Snow) had one rebound in our last scrimmage. I don't think she had a rebound in our first scrimmage, so she had some catching up to do tonight. Gwen needs to do a better job of getting on the boards, but part of that was that Michelle was there so many times.

Coach Pat Summitt heads into her 26th campaign with 695 career wins.

"I thought in the second half, Kara Lawson did a nice job of blending with our veterans. She and Gwen have been the most consistent and impressive of our four freshmen this season. Kara has probably never had to come off of the bench in her life, and she responded at halftime.

"I thought Kyra (Elzy) had some good minutes, but she needs to be more of a defensive presence. Shalon (Pillow) had some good minutes late in the game. She needs to continue to play more physical and aggressive. April (McDivitt) played better tonight than she has in practices. She looks to be more of a leader. We don't want Ace to feel like she has to play 40 minutes."

—Volunteers Magazine Staff

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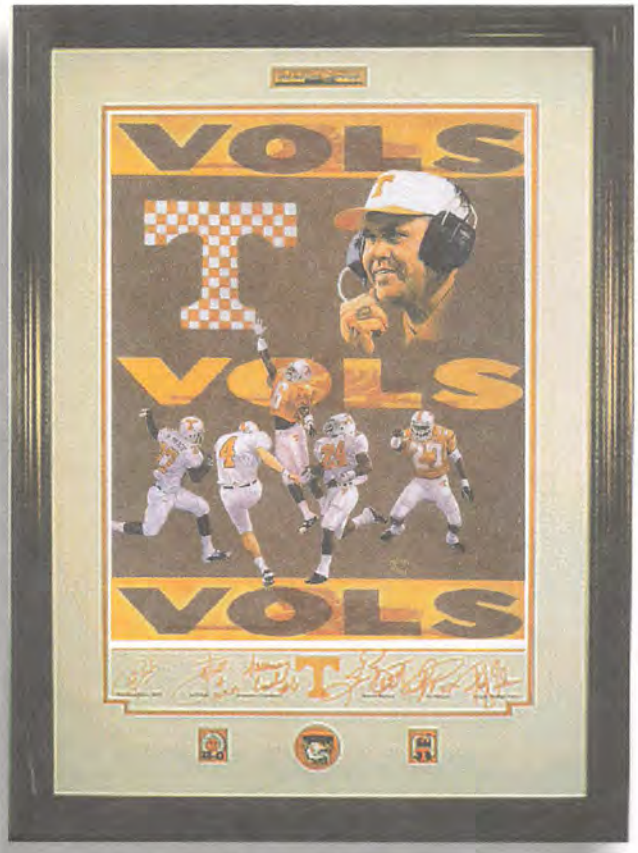

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VASF & Marketing News

Basketball Exhibition Games

The men's basketball team is set to tip off its 1999-2000 season with a pair of exhibition games slated for Nov. 11 and Nov. 15. Both games begin at 7:30. Parking for these exhibition games will be available in all lots on a pay-to-park basis. Season parking passes are not valid for these first two games. Contact UT Parking Services for more details at (865) 974-6031.

Christmas in Puerto Rico

The men's basketball team will venture to Puerto Rico Dec. 20-23 and wants you to come along. This is a charter trip which will include three nights' lodging at the team hotel, round trip charter air transportation, all motorcoach transfers, gratuities, pre-tournament party, tickets for all games of the tournament, escort by a qualified travel representative and a special trip souvenir. For more information, please contact Claire Stone at (865) 974-1218.

Free Basketball Parking

Free parking, as well as a free shuttle, will be available to all motorists who park at the Agricultural campus, a service courtesy of the University of Tennessee Athletic Department.

Season Basketball Parking

Parking passes for the 1999-2000 men's basketball parking season were mailed via certified mail this week. A few lots will be kept available during the weeknight games for staff/student parking only for those who attend evening classes. These lots are primarily located around the Hill, including Staff 9 and 9A, as well as 5B (the small lot situated between Alumni Gym and Neyland Stadium).

VASF Fund Drive Workers Needed

The end of the calendar year is nearly here. The VASF will soon begin its annual Fund Drive, a two-month campaign to increase membership in the VASF, as well as to encourage current members to raise their levels of giving. Various rewards and other benefits await those who answer the call to be a fund drive worker. Workers are divided into teams by geographic regions and compete for individual and team prizes. The grand prize team gets the opportunity to run through the 'T' with the Tennessee Volunteers at a home football game for the 2000 season. The first-place team gets to travel to a Vol road game next fall. For more information, or to sign up to be worker, contact Bill Myers in the VASF office at (865) 974-1218.

Make Your 2000 Gift Early

This fall is an excellent time to make your 2000 contribution and possibly receive 1999 tax benefits. Consult your tax advisor. All 2000 credit card gifts must be received in the VASF office by Dec. 10 to ensure 1999 tax credit. For more information, contact Suzie Miller in the VASF office at (865) 974-1218.

VASF Collegiate Club Corner

The VASF Collegiate Club, comprised of those Tennessee students who are active members in the VASF while still in school, is preparing to gear up for another basketball season as well as continuing to support the football team in its quest for a BCS bowl bid.

Friday evening club members placed nearly 9,000 shakers in the student sections of Neyland Stadium to prepare the stadium for the Tennessee-Notre Dame football game. Saturday morning brought another opportunity to hang signs of support for the Volunteers inside the stadium. That afternoon, VASF CC members had a tailgate barbeque on the Humanities Plaza lawn, with catering provided by Buddy's B-B-Q of Knoxville.

Club members create the various signs that hang in the north end zone and around the rails of the Arena for various Volunteer home events. They also distribute shakers within the student section at all home and within designated Tennessee sections at away contests.

Contact Mark Gibson in the VASF office at (865) 974-1218 for more information about the club, on how to join or if you are interested in shaker sponsorships. The VASF CC web page is also up and running. It can be accessed by typing http://web.utk.edu/~volpep into your browser.

The Dasani Volunteer Village

This conglomeration of games, vendors, live entertainment and good food is still growing. The Humanities and Social Science lawn area (across from the Torchbearer) will host this event. The Village will begin at 10 a.m. for the final home football game of the season. Enter off Volunteer Boulevard.

Come see what all the hubbub is about. Look for the inflatable entrance. Chick-fil-A provides food, several live bands, including Tall Paul and Dave Landeo provide entertainment, and Dasani provides several inflatable games and other types of competitive and interactive sports challenges for Vol fans of all ages.

Junior Vols

The Junior Vols kids club, sponsored by Chick-fil-A, is growing strong. This is a club designed for youngsters, offering them an opportunity to support the Volunteer athletic program in a myriad of ways.

Renewing members will receive a special Junior Vols lunch bag, perfect for toting club members' lunches.

Annual membership in the Junior Vols costs $25 and provides many benefits, from a newsletter (*Paw Prints*) to a birthday card from Smokey to special pre-game functions and tours of athletic facilities. Also included are a free T-Shirt and membership card, free admission to certain Tennessee home Olympic events and a host of special events designed for younger Volunteer fans. For more information, please contact the Marketing office at (865) 974-1734.

$100,000 Field Goal

A special thank-you to Hall Conaster, the kicker who attempted the 35-yard field goal at the Tennessee-Notre Dame game Saturday (look at the end of the game story to see if he made it). A big thanks goes to Hershey, Food City and WIVK, for sponsoring this contest.

Basketball Season Tickets & Big Game Packs

Help *Crash the Party* this winter with the Tennessee men's basketball team. Coming off back-to-back 20-win seasons, head coach Jerry Green promises another exciting year, from the beaches of Puerto Rico to the hoopla surrounding the NCAA Tournament. The Vols' actions surrounding the turn of the millennium promise to turn some heads. There are two ticket packages available.

The first is the Full Season Pack. This is a season ticket to all 18 home games on the Vols' schedule in 1999-2000, including SEC foes Auburn, Kentucky and Arkansas. Full Season Packs are $208 each.

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—Complied by Steve Sams

HAYWOOD HARRIS...

THE MAGIC OF NOTRE DAME

If you have ever questioned the legendary mystique of Notre Dame football, you ought to spend a few days in the Tennessee Sports Information office some season when the Fighting Irish are coming to town.

Generally speaking, media requests for Tennessee games bear a direct relationship to the won-lost records of the combatants. But the standard goes out the window where Notre Dame is concerned.

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Classify me as leaning toward the former. I'm here to tell you it's hard to hate a school that is represented by such class people as the Notre Dame president, Father Edward Malloy, athletic director Mike Wadsworth and sports publicist John Heisler. They are the latest in a long line of accommodating administrators that included former athletic director Moose Krause and long-time sports information chief Roger Valdiserri among the very best in their profession.

The demand for press seating has been hot and heavy for today's game, typical of a Notre Dame appearance. Still, it hasn't approached the level of the 1990 outing between the two tradition-oozing schools.

That was the season the press, television and radio requests exceeded any game ever played at Neyland Stadium. The unprecedented demand tested the capacity of the Neyland Stadium press box and tested sports information secretary Susie Treis' ability to find motel rooms for the visiting horde of writers and broadcasters.

The press box met its match in the invading media. Intrigued by the battle between the once-beaten Irish and the once-beaten (though twice tied) Vols, writers by the dozens asked for credentials. They came from New York, Chicago, Washington D.C., Boston, Detroit, Seattle, Los Angeles, Dallas, Houston and San Francisco.

The situation reached a point where we placed a press table in the interview room adjacent to the Vol locker room and assigned writers from three newspapers to chronicle the game from there. They were the lucky ones. Dozens of other credential applications had to be turned down.

Finding overnight accommodations for the visitors was even touchier.

Every motel room in Knoxville, Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg was booked. Or so we thought. A few days before the game, our office discovered a motel in Knoxville that had plenty of rooms. The accommodations weren't exactly at the level of a Holiday Inn or Marriott. In fact, it was pretty dilapidated, and that's putting it politely.

But it did have space available at a time no other motels could help. By Monday the week of the game, we were dispatching writers by the dozens to the hostelry, which one irreverent journalist renamed Motel Cockroach. He claimed the nasty little bugs lined up for reveille every morning at 6:30 in the lobby and played Taps every night at bedtime. I think he was kidding.

Anyway, cockroaches or not, as an alternative to sleeping in his car, the visiting author was happy to lay his head down there Friday night. He couldn't have slept more blissfully if it had been the Waldorf-Astoria.

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A look at the Vols...

By the Numbers

Their faces are hidden by helmets and the names on the back of their jerseys are often hard to read. So Tennessee football players are identified by the number on their jersey throughout most of Big Orange Country. The number on their jersey is how people know them and how they are remembered. Who could forget No. 26 Willie Gault sprinting to the state Capitol in 1980 or No. 54 Dale Jones intercepting a pass against Alabama in 1985?

The people wearing those numbers have stories to tell about their days in a Tennessee uniform. But in most cases, the numbers themselves have a story to tell. Here's a look at the reasons some members of the Tennessee football squad wear the numbers they do.

No. 2 - Fred White

Fred wore No. 3 in high school and got No. 2 when he came to UT. One of the reasons he switched to No. 2 was because Deion Sanders wore No. 2 at Florida State. Sanders also wore No. 3 in high school. Fred also likes the fact that his numbers put together make 23. The 23rd Psalm is his favorite passage in the Bible.

No. 4 - Donte Stallworth

Donte wore No. 85 during his redshirt year, but didn't like 85 or any other number in the 80s. He wanted No. 18, but senior Gerald Griffin currently wears it. So, No. 4 was open (from Jeff Hall and after John Henderson had a temporary shot at it), and he took it. He had never had a number in the single digits and thought he would give it a try. He still may switch to No. 18 next year. Donte had worn No. 18 since his sophomore year in high school. He originally had No. 23 in high school, but switched with a teammate because he didn't like the No. 23.

No. 7 - Deon Grant

For Deon, No. 7 is perfection. Seven is a heavenly number and represents perfection in the Bible. Taking three, for the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and adding four, for the four corners of the Earth, gives the sum of seven.

No. 8 - Joey Mathews

Joey wears No. 8 for no particular reason, but that has been the number he has worn since his youth league football days. Joey was glad that No. 8 was open his freshman year.

No. 10 - Benson Scott

Benson became the second Scott to wear No. 10 when he came to UT. Benson's father, Bobby, wore No. 10 while quarterbacking the Vols between 1968 and 1970. Bobby was first on UT's career passing yardage list when his playing days were over. Benson has worn No. 10 since playing youth league football. Benson said he was just lucky that No. 10 was open in his freshman year.

No. 14 - Cedrick Wilson

Cedrick was recruited as a quarterback out of Memphis Melrose where he led his team to a state championship. When he came to UT, he was given 14 because of that. Cedrick, however, wanted a number in the 80s because he wanted to play receiver at UT. After catching two touchdown passes as No. 14, he decided to stick with it because that is how people knew him. He still does not like being No. 14.

No. 17 - Tee Martin

Seventeen is Tee's lucky number even though he didn't wear it until he got to UT. Tee's father wore No. 17 in high school and at Mississippi Valley State as a teammate of Jerry Rice. Doug Williams wore No. 17 during his playing days with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and Washington Redskins. Tee's idol while he was in high school was Florida State quarterback Charlie Ward, and, yes, Heisman Trophy winner Ward wore No. 17 while he was a Seminole.

No. 20 - Travis Henry

It's close, but is not exactly what Travis wanted in a number. Travis was No. 2 throughout his football playing days prior to coming to UT. Fred White was wearing No. 2 when Travis came to UT, so he went with 20, but No. 2 is still his number. Travis was disappointed when he couldn't get No. 2 at UT. Fred White will be graduating this year, leaving the number open, but Travis is not sure if will switch because of the success he has had with No. 20.

No. 2 Fred White

No. 20 Travis Henry

No. 23 - Dwayne Goodrich

No. 23 was open when Dwayne came to UT as a freshman. When numbers were being given out to the incoming players, Dwayne was given 23 because he was from Oak Lawn, Ill., just outside of Chicago. The No. 23 is well known in that area because of a fellow named Michael Jordan, who played a little hoops with the Chicago Bulls.

No. 26 - Leonard Scott

Leonard learned the history of No. 26 once he got the number. Willie Gault was an All-SEC receiver for the Vols and a national champion in track. Leonard appreciates wearing No. 26 and considers it an honor. He won a national championship in track this past year and is now looking to make a name for himself on the football field.

No. 30 - Andre Lott

Andre wanted No. 3 when he came to UT, but it was not available, so he went with No. 30. Jerome Woods wears No. 30 for the Kansas City Chiefs, and both he and Lott attended Melrose High School in Memphis.

No. 42 - Eric Westmoreland

Eric wore No. 5 throughout his football career, which included two state championships, at Marion Co. Eric Lane was wearing No. 5 when Eric came to Tennessee, so he took No. 42 and decided to stick with it even after Lane left.

No. 43 - David Leaverton

The number David wanted was on the back of Leonard Little. No. 1 was an unusual number for a linebacker, but nonetheless, David's high school number was unavailable. He settled on No. 43 and decided to keep it even after Little had graduated.

No. 46 - Raynoch Thompson

Raynoch wore No. 3 in high school. Among his choices for a number when he arrived at Tennessee was No. 46. Defensive coordinator John Chavis wore No. 46 when he played at Tennessee during the 1970s, so, based on his relationship with Chavis, Raynoch decided to wear No. 46.

No. 52 - Cosey Coleman

Cosey started wearing No. 52 his sophomore year in high school because the other offensive linemen on the team had a number in the 50s. He stuck with the number when he came to UT.

No. 68 - Spencer Riley

No. 68 is a family affair with Spencer. Spencer's cousin, Bart McCall, wore No. 70 in high school. Spencer's older brother, Matt, wore No. 69 at Jefferson County High School. Spencer then chose No. 68 when he was at Jefferson County and kept it when he came to UT. Spencer's younger brother, Rocky, now wears No. 67 at Jefferson County.

No. 90 - Will Overstreet

Will wears No. 90 because that's the number he was given when he got to UT.

No. 98 - John Henderson

John wore No. 4 last year, but switched to No. 98 because he didn't want to stand out on the defensive line. The 6-foot-7 inch, 280-pound, defensive tackle is still standing out. He wore No. 4 throughout his high school career, but likes having a double-digit number like the rest of his defensive line teammates.

No. 99 - DeAngelo Lloyd

At the end of the numeric roster is DeAngelo. It is a place with which he is a familiar, because he wore No. 99 in high school. When he came to UT, he decided to keep it.

That's just a few of the reasons some of Vols have the number they do. It is more than just a number to some of them.

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Faces in Big Orange Country

He has waited patiently for his turn in the starting rotation in what has been a truly talented offensive line. **Josh Tucker** returns for his senior season and is solidifying himself as another potential professional prospect come Spring 2000. This three-year letterman from Asheville, N.C., played in 12 games last season with one start. In all Tucker has seen action in 32 games with the Vols since his arrival on campus. Tucker played both on offense and defense in high school, but few know that he averaged 5.1 yards a carry while playing the role of lead blocker in the T.C. Roberson High School backfield. Tucker has also been a member of the Academic All-SEC Team the past two seasons majoring in engineering.

Marissa Weaver is off to a great start for the head coach Lisa Glenn's Tennessee rowing team in 1999 after securing a third place finish at the Chattanooga Head Race in the Championship 8+ at the first competition of the year Oct. 9. The 5'4" sophomore from Roswell, Ga., also earned her first gold medal as a Lady Vol Oct. 23 at the Head of the Tennessee regatta winning the Open 2- with a time of 23:18.10. Her partner in the victory was fellow sophomore Sara Neill (Oak Ridge, Tenn.) A communications major, Weaver would like to become a broadcaster following graduation from Rocky Top.

Sophomore **Michelle Snow** will be looking for increased minutes in the paint this year with the Lady Vol basketball team. The center from Pensacola, Fla., already got what she asked for when she earned the start in the season opener and topped the team with 32 minutes en route to an 82-63 victory over Ferencavorsi Torna of Budapest, Hungary. She recorded 17 points and 11 rebounds to lead the team in both categories in the exhibition, and was just one point shy of her career record. As a rookie, Snow earned 16 starts in 34 games, averaging 8.5 ppg and 6.4 rpg.

This sophomore defensive end has been described by the coaching staff as an impact player, but few probably realized how much of an impact **Will Overstreet** would have on the University of Tennessee. He played in all 13 games last season registering 14 tackles and two sacks. This season, the Jackson, Miss., native has seen his playing time increase and so has his production. He ranks fifth in total tackles with 34, and he has 4.5 sacks to his credit. Overstreet came out of high school as Mississippi's No. 1 prospect rated by the *Jackson Clarion-Ledger.* The high school All-America is now busy harassing opposing teams backfields.

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The Last Word...

LINDSEY NELSON, TENNESSEE AND NOTRE DAME

It was hard to watch Tennessee and Notre Dame square off without thinking of the late Lindsey Nelson. Nelson, a 1941UT grad who found fame and fortune in the world of sports broadcasting, was one of the significant links between the Vols and the Fighting Irish.

When I first game to UTAD back in January 1987, Jan. 6 to be exact, the first two people I met outside of the SID Office were John Majors... and Lindsey Nelson. Talk about your auspicious beginnings.

If you grew up any time between the 1950s and the 1980s, you had to have recognized the mellow baritone that distinguished his announcing style. Whatever the sport, football, basketball, golf, or most everything else other than professional wrestling, he was there to bring you the story.

He was born in Pulaski (Giles County), grew up in Columbia (Maury County) and was in attendance wherever the major sporting events of the day were held.

Lindsey Nelson was a true professional in every sense of the word.

"He was a true citizen of the wide, wide world of sports, but his heart was always in Tennessee," former Chattanooga Times sportswriter Buck Johnson wrote after Nelson's death in June 1996. "He was a down-to-earth man who never tried to impress people. He talked of the great and the near-great without ever considering himself to be one of them. But he was."

He earned his first byline for the Columbia Daily Herald at age 11 and his quest for success was on. At UT during those glory days of the late 1930s, he was a do-it-all type for the Vol program, looking for his big break.

It came when he was 20, when he became on-the-air assistant to broadcaster Jack Harris of Nashville radio station WSM. They were working the 1938 Tennessee-Vanderbilt game when Nelson's big moment came.

"It was halftime and Jack had to go to the restroom at Shields-Watkins Field," Nelson said. "He handed me the statistics sheet and told me to read it while he was away." In that moment, a career was born.

He called his first Tennessee football game on Sept. 25, 1948, just over two months after daughter Sharon was born. It was Tennessee against Mississippi State on local radio in Knoxville. A year later, with the help of Gen. Robert R. Neyland, he formed the Vol Network and broadcast Tennessee games in 1949 and 1950.

It was in November 1950 that Nelson's second big break came his way. His broadcast of the Kentucky game that season, a 7-0 Vol win in the snow, was broadcast by the Liberty Broadcasting System to 431 stations nationwide. He joined Liberty in 1951 after a brief tenure as Sports Publicity Director. He then went to NBC, later became the lead announcer for the New York Mets and, for 13 seasons, did play-by-play for the delayed telecasts of Notre Dame football.

News of his death in June 1996 was front page news in his adopted hometown Knoxville News-Sentinel and was the top story on CNN and Headline news. It was a moment when those of us who worked with and knew him worked overtime to put it all into perspective, to assess his contributions to his chosen profession, his family and friends.

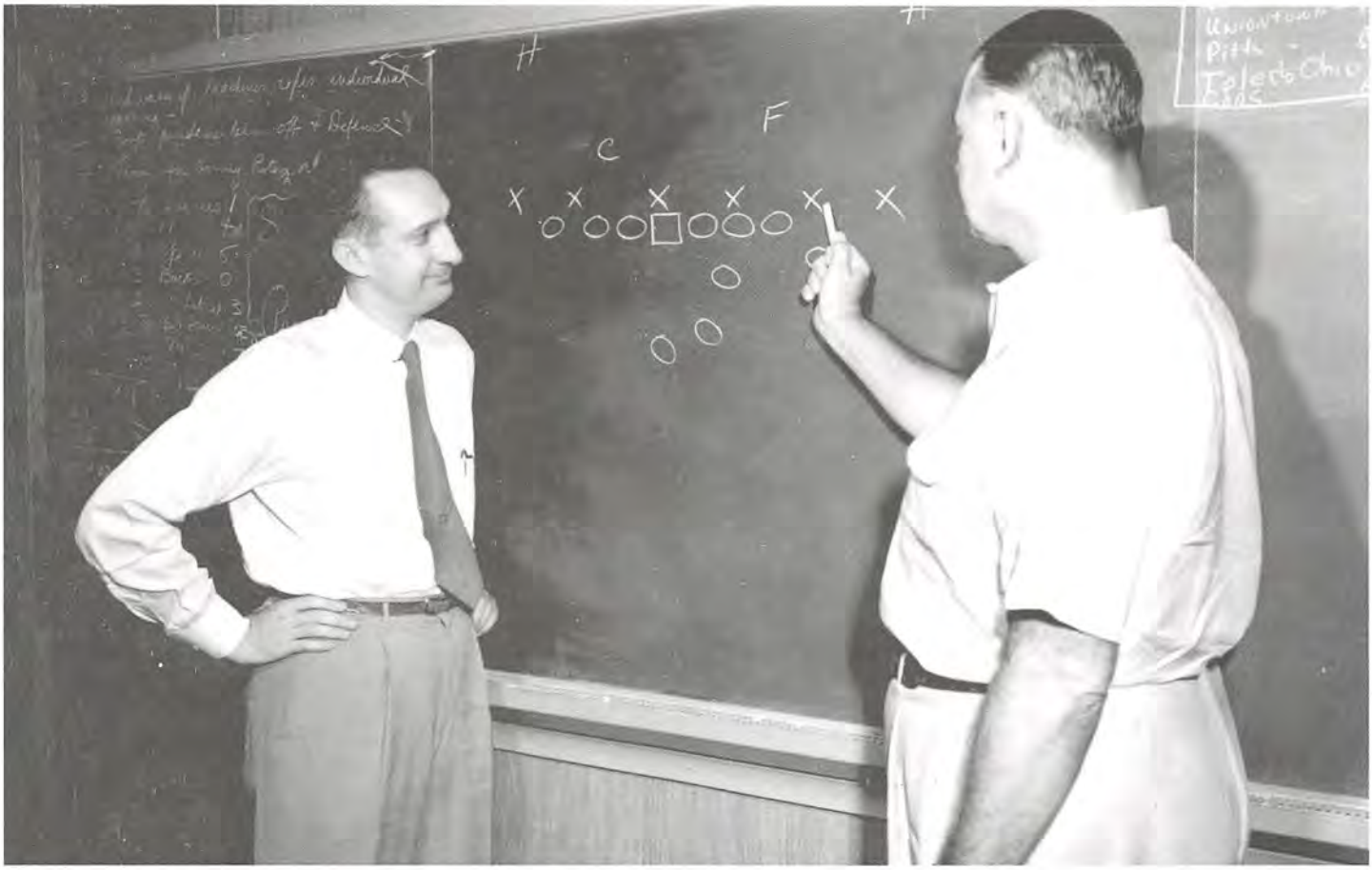
There was the man who made everyone in his presence feel comfortable, whether it was in and around the famed seat No. 82 in the Tom Elam Press Box at Neyland Stadium (there's a marker there in his honor), at Ye Old Steak House with the Vol press corps or at the luncheon counter at Long's Drug Store in West Knoxville.

There was the man for whom the Vol baseball stadium was named in the spring of 1993. "Everybody knew Lindsey would come back to Knoxville when he retired," said his close friend Paul Hornung, the Notre Dame "Golden Boy" who was his broadcast partner for a number of years. "When UT named its baseball stadium after Lindsey, I think that was his proudest moment outside of his family."

There was also Lindsey Nelson the father, the man who wrote so affectionately about daughters Sharon and Nancy in his autobiography ("Hello, Everybody, I'm Lindsey Nelson," his lead line to nearly every broadcast). What kind of dad was Lindsey Nelson? Two examples should suffice.

When the University of Tennessee named its new baseball park **"LINDSEY NELSON STADIUM."** Lindsey, his sister, Mary Sue Pennington, and Sharon were there. They were in one of the suites in the press box and the public address announcer read the trivia question for the day: "For what major league teams did Lindsey Nelson broadcast during his career?" Hearing that, Sharon sat straight up and said, "That's my dad." That's Lindsey Nelson.

When daughter Nancy married Andy Wyszynski (Lindsey said after doing Notre Dame football all those years that "ceaseless succession of consonants



Lindsey Nelson is shown here with Gen. Robert R. Neyland as the Gen. explains a little of the X's and O's of the game to the famous broadcaster, then the University's Sports Publicity Director.

is no challenge whatsoever"), he told of what happened on his way to San Francisco later that evening and the ceremony and reception were completed. He was on the plane headed for a Sunday doubleheader at Candlestick Park.

"As I leaned my seat back," Lindsey said, "I noticed there was a bulge in my left jacket pocket. In may haste to get away from the reception, I had been barely conscious that Nancy had slipped a piece of cloth into that pocket. Now, I pulled it out and spread it on the tray in front of me.

"She had been sewing on it for several days, whenever she had a moment. It outlined a man between two little girls, each of whom held him by the hand. And the legend said, 'Any man can be a father, but it takes someone special to be a daddy.' That's all the credit the father of the bride needs. And I reached overhead somewhat quickly to punch the button that would extinguish the light. From somewhere, there were soft tears glistening on my cheeks." That's Lindsey Nelson.

There were soft tears glistening on many cheeks as friends said :good-bye," or perhaps "au revoir," to Lindsey Nelson at a funeral home in West Knoxville and at Polk Memorial Gardens in Columbia.

In his autobiography, Lindsey told of a conversation he had with the legendary sportswriter Grantland Rice, a native of Murfreesboro.

"He was aware of my Tennessee roots," Nelson wrote, "and he said, 'Let me ask you something. When you have done here, in New York, whatever it is that you want to do, when you have achieved whatever goals you have set for yourself, will you go back to Tennessee?'

"I thought for a moment, and I said, 'Yes, I think I will.'

"He smiled that warm, wide smile and said, 'Ever since we came to New York, my wife and I told each other that. And I don't think either one of us believed it.'

"Grantland Rice died without coming home. When I packed up to come back to Knoxville with a car full of plaques and citations and awards, one of the thoughts I had was the day I sat at lunch with Grantland Rice."

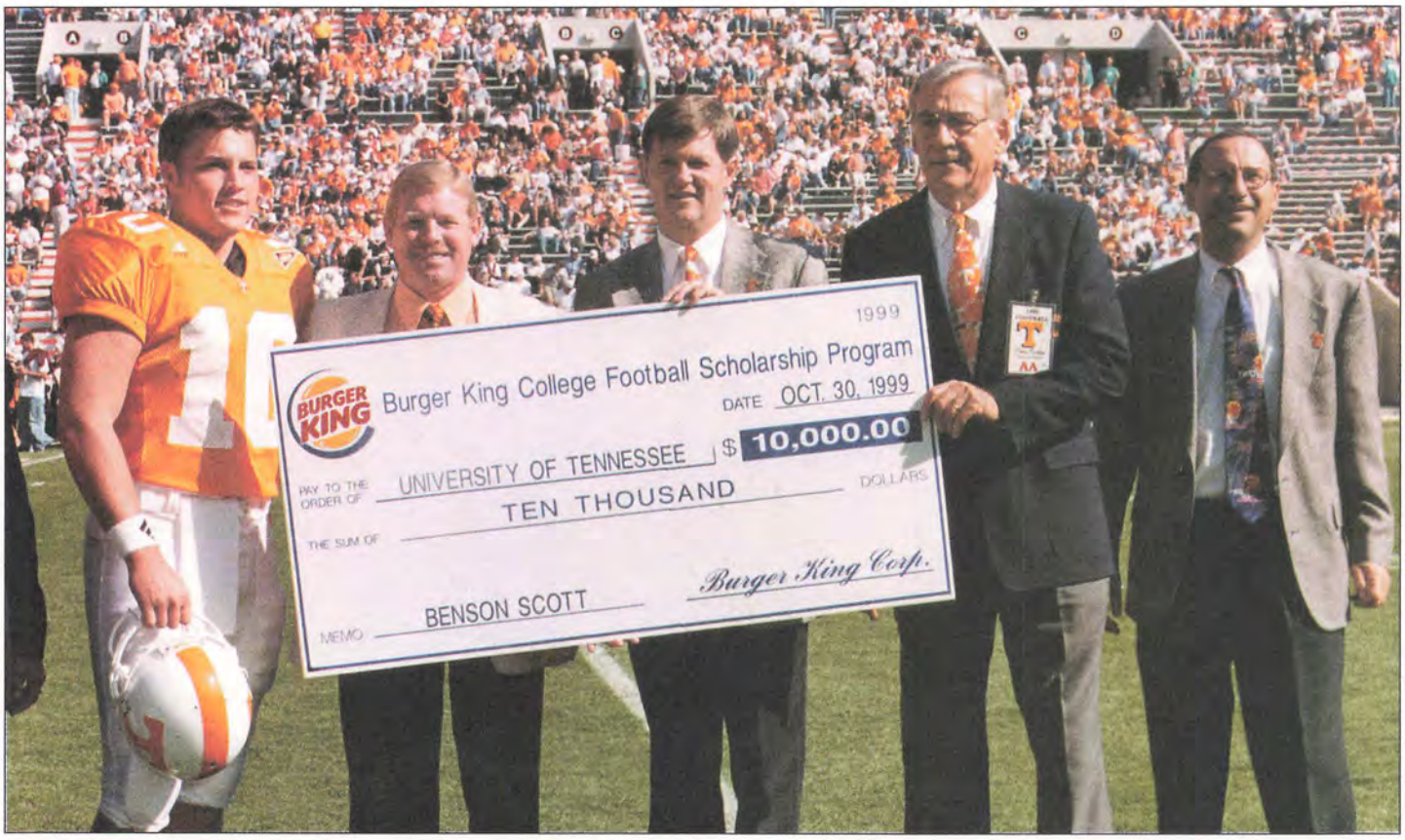
They honored Lindsey Nelson's contributions to the University of Tennessee and the Vol Network at a ceremony at the Notre Dame game this past week at Neyland Stadium.

When they did, I thought of Lindsey's journey from Pillow Park and the Duck River, two of the dominant landmarks in his growing up days in his hometown in Columbia, to become one of the big names in sports broadcasting.

When you speak of the pioneers of sports broadcasting, you talk about Bill Stern, Ted Husing, Red Barber, Mel Allen, Vince Scully, Chris Schenkel, and, perhaps foremost, Lindsey Nelson.

When you think of Lindsey Nelson, you think of a UT alum who brought great credit to his alma mater wherever he went. He's one of us who's made us proud.

—Tom Mattingly



Vol kick holder Benson Scott (10) joins Burger King's Don Gleason (second from left) and Donnie Carr (third from left) of Blue Ridge Restaurants, AD Doug Dickey and Assistant AD Carmen Tegano, as Burger King presents the UT General Scholarship Fund a check for $10,000 in Benson's name. Benson is the third Vol so honored, joining Scott Galyon and Peyton Manning.

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